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## VERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

## On Police Force—

Harry W. Rinn, the man recently appointed on the police force to act as desk man and also as a plain clothes officer, will commence his duties tomorrow, the first of November.

## Visits His Brother—

Otto Morgan, the well known night operator at the Western Union office in this city, is enjoying a pleasant visit from his brother, Charles L. Morgan of Portland. The latter gentleman is a tattoo artist of exceptional ability, but will not indulge his art here. He is here simply for the pleasure incident to the re-union with his brother.

## Board To Meet—

The board of equalization on street improvements will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock to consider the assessments on Grand avenue, 6th to 5th streets; and on 12th street, Exchange to Grand; and on 14th street, Duane to Franklin; and on Exchange, 10th to 11th; and on Third, Astor to Commercial.

## To Meet His Wife—

Captain J. E. Ritchey, Astoria representative of the McCabe Stevedoring Company, left up last evening on the 6:10 train, for the metropolis, where he will meet Mrs. Ritchey who is coming out from Yarmouth, Nova Scotia to join her husband; after a separation of many months, and the meeting will be a notably happy one. Captain and Mrs. Ritchey will settle in Astoria, where they will be cordially welcome.

## Petitions—

So numerous have been the petitions this last few weeks that they have become almost a joke. Some men sign every one that is presented, and more than one prominent man has signed the petitions of several men who are running for the same office. Others are very chary about signing anything, and will only sign if at all after due deliberation.

## Securing Signatures—

Ben Ward and J. H. Whyte went out yesterday with a petition for what is called the "promotion bill" and secured 251 signatures. This is the proposed amendment to the city charter to permit public taxes to be applied to the support of the Chamber of Commerce. At present the organization is supported entirely by voluntary subscriptions from the members, and inasmuch as the work of the Chamber is for the upbuilding of the whole city and county it is deemed fair by some that the whole public be taxed to pay for the promotion work. The people must settle the matter one way or the other by their votes at the city election.

## Will Open Bids—

Bids will be opened at 4 o'clock this afternoon for the construction of a sewer on 51st street, from Birch north to the river; and also for a sewer on Irving avenue at the intersection of Eleventh.

## Stiff Game On Sunday—

There is every prospect for a stiff and interesting game of football at the "A. F. C." grounds at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, when the Fort Stevens football eleven will go up against the eleven of the Catholic Athletic Club, of Portland, a coterie of the Bunker Hills and All Stars, of that city. The game will come off, and the more mud the better the game.

## To Depart For England—

Rev. John Warren, pastor of Holy Innocent's Chapel (Episcopal), will depart for his old home in England on Monday next and will remain there permanently. Mr. Warren has made many warm friends while in this city and carries with him the abundant good will of those who have had the pleasure of knowing and appreciating Mr. Warren and the labor he has done for the good of the community.

## Struck His Son—

John Waterhouse, a wealthy farmer who lives near Clatsop schoolhouse, while engaged in sawing wood, threw a stick from the saw just as his 16-year-old son ran around the corner of the house. The boy was struck on the temple, cutting a gash four or five inches long. The cut was to the bone and is a dangerous one. A doctor from Seaside was summoned at once. The young man narrowly escaped being killed.

## Pastor Returns—

Rev. Conrad L. Owens has returned from a two weeks' visit with friends and co-workers in the Baptist faith at Enterprise, where a very successful meeting was carried out. Mr. Owens says that the O. R. & N. feeder from La Grande to Joseph will be completed as far as Enterprise on the 14th of the coming month, and that all the country up that way is rejoicing in the new touch with civilization this railroad will give them. He says that it is unquestionably one of the finest countries in the state that is tapped by the new feeder.

## Hot Drinks

Coffee and Chocolate.

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## BOOKS RECEIVED FOR CITY SCHOOLS

LARGE CONSIGNMENT ARRIVED YESTERDAY FROM STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION.

A large consignment of books for use in the public schools throughout the country has been received by Miss Warren, the county superintendent of schools, from the State Library Commission.

Under the terms of a law adopted a number of years ago the State furnishes free to every school that applies therefore a number of books in proportion to the number of children of school age in the district. For each child ten cents is allowed. Thus, in a school of 100 children, the sum of \$10 may be applied for books, and upon proper application to the State Library Commission, books to that value will be forwarded.

Acting through the county superintendent's office each district in Clatsop county made its proportionate application, and the books have just been received. Miss Warren's office in the county court house yesterday looked like a small library, as there were, perhaps over 400 volumes there. These will now be sent to each district, each school getting the books that had been ordered for it. The books for the Astoria schools were sent direct to Superintendent Clark's office. He has \$268.30 worth there, and in a short time will properly distribute them among the various city schools.

The little country school that has only 10 or 15 children naturally does not get many books—but the few it does receive in this way make a fine nucleus for a larger library, and it is said the volumes are most welcome in the districts. An inspection of the books in Miss Warren's office yesterday showed some most excellent ones, volumes that will gladden the hearts of many a boy and girl. This is the third distribution made by the State.

While some of the volumes ordered—and all are ordered from a catalogue prepared by the Library Commission—are along the lines of school studies, dealing with geographical or historical matters, for example, on the other hand a majority of the volumes in Miss Warren's office are distinctly away from the school room studies.

"Robinson Crusoe" had been ordered by several schools; half a dozen of the "Black Beauties" had also been ordered, and what child, or man or woman, that has not been charmed by that beautiful tale of a horse. Kipling's "Captain Courageous," was also there, and so was an abridgment of "Don Quixote." R. L. Stevenson's "Treasure Island" also appears to be a favorite. These will serve to illustrate the kind of books that are ordered for the libraries, and one can imagine with what avidity they will be read by the young folks.

A copy of "Plutarch's Lives," an abridged edition, was also among them, and one noted that it was exceedingly poorly bound, so poorly that it looked as if it would not stand the least bit of rough usage. On the contrary, some of the volumes were fairly well bound, but the exceptions were painfully apparent.

## After Many Years—

Conductor Charles Eckhart, for the past eight or nine years, in the service of the Ilwaco Railroad Company, has resigned his position with that company, and will leave on next Wednesday for Celilo, where he has accepted a position on the Government road at that point. He has made many friends at the mouth of the Columbia who will be sorry to see him go, but who will be equally glad to know that his prospering in his new relation.

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## Among Astoria Friends—

Captain Charles Johnson, of Nelson's Lagoon, on the Alaska Peninsula, about 200 miles north of Unimak Pass, and immediately inland from the spot where the American ship John Currier went ashore last year, is in the city on a visit with the multitude of friends he possesses here. He was mainly instrumental in aiding and caring for the officers and men and passengers of the Currier and rendered the charter company, the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company, of this city, invaluable assistance in that unfortunate premise. Speaking of his habitat up there, he reports that his salting industry in very satisfactory shape and that he, and his partners are doing fairly well. He alluded to the fact that this season he has run across dozens of salmon bearing a hatchery stamp on their tales, about the size of a small seal, from which the lettering has become obliterated and he was unable to trace their source. Captain Johnson has been identified with the fishing interests in and out of Astoria for many years and is known the length of the Pacific Coast in this relation. He was one of the men behind the first of the deep-sea fishing ventures out of this port and carried it on successfully so long as his company held together. He was also one of the first to go into the Alaskan seas for salmon being a member of the company that sailed hence in the early "eighties" on the Polar Bear, for the old Fishermen's Packing Company of Astoria. Mrs. Johnson is visiting with friends in Portland, and will not return to the north with him next season on account of her impaired health.

## No Democratic Rally—

An announcement that there would be a Democratic rally tonight with two prominent speakers from the metropolis proves to be erroneous. There will be no rally tonight, nor any at all for the national campaign. This authoritative statement was made last night at Democratic headquarters. Evidently the belief obtains among the local "unterrified" that the voters in and around Astoria have already made up their minds just how they intend to vote and that a rally would not do any good. While the Republicans had intended to enliven the campaign with speeches and a little red fire, they too, apparently, are willing to let the matter stand as it is, evidently believing that Astoria and Clatsop county are quite safe.

## Came Over The Trail—

Captain E. B. Parker returned yesterday from the Nehalem country, coming out over the trail on horse back. He reports the new road from Seaside to Carnie Mountain progressing in fine shape, with one and one-half miles of the six, contracted to be built by John Holm,

completed, and in excellent shape, 14 feet wide and rocked, and when the route is finished, it promised to be one of the feature roads of the county. Captain Parker says there is all sorts of railway activity down Tillamook way and the people very sanguine. When he left Hobsonville, there were ten vessels bar-bound in the bay loaded both ways the coast. A bad hill-slide occurred on Monday last, which swept a steam shovel and a number of dirt cars off the line and into the bay, occasioning some sharp loss to the contractor in charge, but there is no let-up in the work anywhere.

## Teacher Is Secured—

Miss Charlotte Church of Portland has been employed to teach the new school which is to be opened in the Necanicum district. The services of Miss Church were secured by Miss Warren, the county superintendent, and she comes with most excellent credentials. She has had experience and has a first grade certificate. The school pays well and the term is for eight months. Necanicum very evidently is not going to be backward in school matters. The new building is to be dedicated in a day or two, and Miss Warren will leave today to attend the exercises.

## A Happy Time—

For seven months Charlie Johnson, 14 years old, has been at St. Mary's hospital suffering from a hip disease which has not permitted him to walk. Charlie is a favorite with the sisters

and nurses, for he bears his burden cheerfully, quite cheerfully indeed for a boy of his age. But today is expected to be a red-letter day for the lad. Some time this morning the doctor has promised him that he will have a chance to try to walk on crutches, and this means much to one who has sat in a wheel chair or lain in bed for seven months. It is hoped that the boy will become quite strong and able to walk pretty freely.

## Registration—

At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon the total registration amounted to 832. This is considered a fairly good registration before the primaries. For the past few days the voters have been coming in very slowly, but after the primaries are over it is presumed the registrations will come in rapidly. By precincts the registration is as follows: First precinct, 90; second, 47; third, 96; fourth, 217; fifth, 180; sixth, 113; seventh, 82.

## Many At College—

According to a statement made by a lady who is quite familiar with such matters, there are now 21 young men from Clatsop county attending the Agricultural College at Corvallis and this is considered quite an excellent record for this section.

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